

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### LISTING OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-17 (Cancelled).

18. (Currently Amended) A supporting frame for a monitoring scale, comprising:
- a longitudinal supporting frame part ~~{1}~~;
  - at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~{2, 2'}~~ fixed to the longitudinal supporting frame part ~~{1}~~ and having a flat plate whose principal plane extends in a direction transverse to a longitudinal direction, the at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~{2, 2'}~~ configured to support the supporting frame on the floor;
  - a weighing cell ~~{14}~~ supported on the supporting frame; and
  - a weighing belt ~~{15}~~ supported on the weighing cell ~~{14}~~ and configured to circulate in a longitudinal direction, wherein the longitudinal supporting frame part is disposed on an inner area of each flat plate of the at least one transverse supporting frame part and each additional supporting frame part extending parallel thereto is disposed on an edge area of each flat plate of the at least one transverse supporting frame part, where said edge area encircles the inner area.
19. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim ~~1~~18, wherein at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~{2, 2'}~~ is disposed at each of the two longitudinal ends of the longitudinal supporting frame part ~~{1}~~.

20. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim ~~41~~18, wherein at least one additional supporting frame part ~~(3, 3', 3'')~~ extending parallel to the longitudinal part ~~(1)~~ is fixed to each flat plate of the at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~(2, 2')~~.

21. (Cancelled).

22. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim ~~20~~18, wherein each of the additional supporting frame parts ~~(3, 3', 3'')~~ has a cross section smaller than that of the longitudinal part ~~(1)~~.

23. (Currently Amended) ~~Supporting-A supporting frame according to claim 20,~~  
~~for a monitoring scale, comprising:~~

~~a longitudinal supporting frame part;~~

~~at least one transverse supporting frame part fixed to the longitudinal~~  
~~supporting frame part and having a flat plate whose principal plane extends in a~~  
~~direction transverse to a longitudinal direction, the at least one transverse~~  
~~supporting frame part configured to support the supporting frame on the floor;~~

~~a weighing cell supported on the supporting frame; and~~

~~a weighing belt supported on the weighing cell and configured to circulate in a~~  
~~longitudinal direction, wherein the cross section of the longitudinal section (1) and/or~~  
each additional supporting frame part ~~(3, 3', 3'')~~ extending parallel thereto is formed  
so as to be convex in its area facing away from the base.

24. (Currently Amended) Supporting ~~A supporting frame for a monitoring scale,~~  
comprising:

a longitudinal supporting frame part;

at least one transverse supporting frame part fixed to the longitudinal  
supporting frame part and having a flat plate whose principal plane extends in a  
direction transverse to a longitudinal direction, the at least one transverse  
supporting frame part configured to support the supporting frame on the floor;

a weighing cell supported on the supporting frame;

a weighing belt supported on the weighing cell and configured to circulate in a  
longitudinal direction~~according to claim 20, further comprising: and~~

a support ~~(13.1 to 13.4)~~ for force-locking fixation to the at least one additional  
supporting frame part ~~(3, 3')~~, the support ~~(13.1 to 13.4)~~ includes:

two elements ~~(60, 60')~~, separated at a distance from one another in the  
longitudinal direction, extending in the direction transverse to the  
longitudinal direction, each element of said two elements (60 and/or  
60') includes two parts ~~(70, 71)~~, opposite one another in the transverse  
direction, supported on areas of the at least one additional supporting  
frame part ~~(3, 3')~~,

at least two counterbearing elements ~~(72)~~ extending between the two  
elements ~~(60, 60')~~, one of which is supported on the parts ~~(70)~~  
supported on one area and the other is supported on the parts ~~(71)~~  
supported on the opposite area, and

at least one tightening element ~~(76)~~ extending in the transverse direction and  
pressing the counterbearing elements together.

25. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 24, wherein each of the two elements ~~(60, 60')~~ extend in the direction transverse to the longitudinal direction and are configured in the form of a flat plate whose principal plane extends in the direction transverse to the longitudinal direction.

26. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 24, wherein each of the two elements ~~(60, 60')~~ extending in the direction transverse to the longitudinal direction have a form complementary to the cross section of the at least one additional supporting frame part ~~(3, 3')~~ in areas supported on the at least one additional supporting frame part ~~(3, 3')~~.

27. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 24, wherein each of the counterbearing elements ~~(72)~~ have the form of a bolt extending in a longitudinal direction, each bolt having two longitudinal ends connected to one of the parts ~~(70, 71)~~.

28. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 24, wherein the tightening element ~~(76)~~ is configured to form a screw bolt whose head ~~(77)~~ is fixed to one counterbearing element ~~(72)~~ and whose shaft is fixed to the other counterbearing element ~~(72)~~.

29. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to one of claims 18, wherein feet ~~(5, 5'; 50, 50')~~ serving to support the supporting frame on the floor are fastened to the flat plate of the at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~(2, 2')~~.

30. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 29, wherein the feet ~~{50, 50'}~~ are at a distance from the flat plate of the at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~{2, 2'}~~ in the longitudinal direction.

31. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 18, wherein the longitudinal part ~~{1}~~ is a tube which is rigid with respect to bending.

32. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 18, wherein each flat plate of the at least one transverse supporting frame part ~~{2, 2'}~~ has an essentially rectangular basic form.

33. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to ~~one of~~ claims 18, wherein the longitudinal part ~~{1}~~ is a hollow tube provided with a filling opening ~~{53}~~ for a ballast material.

34. (Currently Amended) Supporting frame according to claim 33, wherein the filling opening ~~{53}~~ is formed by an open front side on a longitudinal end of the hollow tube ~~{1}~~.